

434(a)(11)(B)) is amended by inserting "and publicly available at the offices of the Commission" after "Internet".

SA 122. Mr. TORRICELLI (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. CORZINE, and Mr. DORGAN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 27, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide bipartisan campaign reform; as follows:

On page 37, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

SEC. 305. TELEVISION MEDIA RATES.

(a) **LOWEST UNIT CHARGE.**—Subsection (b) of section 315 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 315) is amended—

(1) by striking "(b) The charges" and inserting the following:

"(b) **CHARGES.**—

"(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the charges";

(2) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

"(2) **TELEVISION.**—The charges made for the use of any television broadcast station, or a provider of cable or satellite television service, by any person who is a legally qualified candidate for any public office in connection with the campaign of such candidate for nomination for election, or election, to such office shall not exceed the lowest charge of the station (at any time during the 365-day period preceding the date of the use) for the same amount of time for the same period.".

(b) **RATE AVAILABLE FOR NATIONAL PARTIES.**—Section 315(b)(2) of such Act (47 U.S.C. 315(b)(2)), as added by subsection (a), is amended by inserting ", or by a national committee of a political party on behalf of such candidate in connection with such campaign," after "such office".

(c) **PREEMPTION.**—Section 315 of such Act (47 U.S.C. 315) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsections (c) and (d) as subsections (f) and (g), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after subsection (c) the following new subsection:

"(d) **PREEMPTION.**—

"(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as provided in paragraph (2), a licensee shall not preempt the use of a television broadcast station, or a provider of cable or satellite television service, by an eligible candidate or political committee of a political party who has purchased and paid for such use pursuant to subsection (b)(2).

"(2) **CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND CONTROL OF LICENSEE.**—If a program to be broadcast by a television broadcast station, or a provider of cable or satellite television service, is preempted because of circumstances beyond the control of the station, any candidate or party advertising spot scheduled to be broadcast during that program may also be preempted.".

(d) **RANDOM AUDITS.**—Section 315 of such Act (47 U.S.C. 315), as amended by subsection (d), is amended by inserting after subsection (d) the following new subsection:

"(e) **RANDOM AUDITS.**—

"(1) **IN GENERAL.**—During the 45-day period preceding a primary election and the 60-day period preceding a general election, the Commission shall conduct random audits of designated market areas to ensure that each television broadcast station, and provider of cable or satellite television service, in those markets is allocating television broadcast advertising time in accordance with this section and section 312.

"(2) **MARKETS.**—The random audits conducted under paragraph (1) shall cover the following markets:

"(A) At least 6 of the top 50 largest designated market areas (as defined in section 122(j)(2)(C) of title 17, United States Code).

"(B) At least 3 of the 51-100 largest designated market areas (as so defined).

"(C) At least 3 of the 101-150 largest designated market areas (as so defined).

"(D) At least 3 of the 151-210 largest designated market areas (as so defined).

"(3) **BROADCAST STATIONS.**—Each random audit shall include each of the 3 largest television broadcast networks, 1 independent network, and 1 cable network.".

(e) **DEFINITION OF BROADCASTING STATION.**—Subsection (f) of section 315 of such Act (47 U.S.C. 315(f)), as redesignated by subsection (c)(1) of this section, is amended by inserting ", a television broadcast station, and a provider of cable or satellite television service" before the semicolon.

(f) **STYLISTIC AMENDMENTS.**—Section 315 of such Act (47 U.S.C. 315) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by inserting "IN GENERAL.—" before "If any";

(2) in subsection (f), as redesignated by subsection (c)(1) of this section, by inserting "DEFINITIONS.—" before "For purposes"; and

(3) in subsection (g), as so redesignated, by inserting "REGULATIONS.—" before "The Commission".

NOTICE OF HEARING

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Tuesday, March 27, 2001 at 9:30 a.m. in room SD-106 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, D.C.

The purpose of this hearing is to consider national energy policy with respect to impediments to development of domestic oil and natural gas resources.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, SRC-2 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-6150.

For further information, please call Trici Heninger or Bryan Hannegan at (202) 224-7932.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 20, 2001 to hear testimony on the Jordan Free Trade Agreement.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be author-

ized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 20, 2001 at 10:30 a.m. to hold a hearing.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 20, 2001 at 9:30 a.m., in open session to receive testimony on the readiness impact of range encroachment issues, including: endangered species and critical habitats; sustainment of the maritime environment; airspace management; urban sprawl; air pollution; unexploded ordnance; and noise.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. DEWINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent my law clerk, Susan Bruno, be granted floor privileges during the pendency of the campaign finance reform debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

CALLING UPON THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO END ITS HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN CHINA AND TIBET

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 22, and the Senate then proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant bill clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 22) urging the appropriate representative of the United States to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights to introduce at the annual meeting of the Commission a resolution calling upon the People's Republic of China to end its human rights violations in China and Tibet, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. WARNER. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and, finally, any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 22) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows: